# COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT	)
FILING OF ATMOS ENERGY	) CASE NO. 2012-00480
CORPORATION	)

#### ORDER

On May 28, 2010, in Case No. 2009-00354,<sup>1</sup> the Commission approved rates for Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos") and provided for their further adjustment in accordance with Atmos's Gas Cost Adjustment ("GCA") clause.

On October 31, 2012, Atmos filed an interim GCA to be effective December 1, 2012. On November 2, 2012, Atmos filed a supplement to its October 31<sup>st</sup> filing that it proposed to replace that filing. Atmos proposed to adjust its GCA prior to its next quarterly GCA effective date specified in its tariff due to a relatively large increase in the commodity cost of gas.

After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

- 1. Atmos's notice includes revised rates designed to pass on to its sales customers its expected change in wholesale gas costs.
- 2. Atmos's Expected Gas Cost ("EGC") for firm sales customers is \$4.9721 per Mcf, an increase of \$.2257 per Mcf from the previous EGC of \$4.7464 per Mcf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Case No. 2009-00354, Application of Atmos Energy Corporation for an Adjustment of Rates (Ky. PSC May 28, 2010).

Atmos's EGC for interruptible sales customers is \$3.9277 per Mcf, an increase of \$.2257 per Mcf from the previous EGC of \$3.7020 per Mcf.

- 3. Atmos's notice sets out no current quarter Refund Factor ("RF"). Atmos's total RF is (\$.0657) per Mcf, which represents no change from its prior RF.
- 4. Atmos's notice sets out its Correction Factor ("CF") of (\$.2253) per Mcf, which represents no change from the previous CF.
- 5. Atmos's notice sets out its Performance Based Rate Recovery Factor of \$.1302 per Mcf, which is effective from February 1, 2012 until February 1, 2013.
- 6. Atmos's GCAs are \$4.8113 per Mcf for firm sales customers and \$3.7669 per Mcf for interruptible sales customers. The impact on firm sales customers is an increase of \$.2257 per Mcf from the previous GCA of \$4.5856 per Mcf. The impact on interruptible sales customers is an increase of \$.2257 per Mcf from the previous GCA of \$3.5412 per Mcf.
- 7. The rates in the Appendix, attached hereto and incorporated herein, are fair, just and reasonable, and should be approved for final meter readings by Atmos on and after December 1, 2012.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are approved for final meter readings on and after December 1, 2012.
- 2. Within 20 days of the date of this Order, Atmos shall file its revised tariff sheets with this Commission setting out the rates authorized herein and reflecting that they were approved pursuant to this Order.

# By the Commission

Commissioner Breathitt is abstaining from this proceeding.

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Executive Director

#### **APPENDIX**

# APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2012-00480 DATED

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Atmos Energy Corporation. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of the Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

#### RATES:

Applicable to: General Sales Service Rate G-1

#### Gas Cost Adjustment

To each bill rendered under the above-named rate schedule there shall be added an amount equal to: \$4.8113 per Mcf of gas used during the billing period.

Applicable to: Interruptible Sales Service Rate G-2

#### Gas Cost Adjustment

To each bill rendered under the above-named rate schedule there shall be added an amount equal to: \$3.7669 per Mcf of gas used during the billing period.

## SUMMARY OF PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT FILING for Atmos Energy Corporation

Case No.:

2012-00480

Filing Date:

October 31, 2012, supplemental filing November 2, 2012

Proposed Effective Date: December 1, 2012

Approved Effective Date: December 1, 2012

Residential Wholesale Rate:

Increased \$.2257 per Mcf

Residential Retail Rate:

Increased \$.2257 per Mcf

### Gas Cost Adjustment Components:

EGC this filing	\$ 4.9721
Correction Factor (CF)	(.2253)
Refund Adjustment	(.0657)
PBRF	1302
GCA	\$ 4.8113

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